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CHARLEROI WATER COMPANY UNEASY--WANTS TO EFFECT COMPROMISE WITH BOROUGH

ASK MEMBERS OF COUNCIL TO COME FOR CONFERENCE

Will Submit Proposition to Officials This Afternoon in Office of Gordon and Smith, the Attorneys for the Company--McCloskey with the Local Men.

WATER WORSE THAN IT EVER WAS BEFORE

This afternoon the water committee of council, headed by President F. W. Jones and the borough solicitor, D. M. McCloskey are in Pittsburgh conferring with the attorneys of the Charleroi Water company and President Mellon to hear a proposition which they have to make in an effort to compromise the matter of the suits which are now on between the company and the borough and Charles Schmeier, Frank Riva, and Joseph A. Hepler, representing the residents of the borough, against the company. The conference is being held at the office of the Company's attorneys, Gordon and Smith, in the Frick building.

Yesterday word was sent to Attorney D. M. McCloskey here that the company would like to compromise matters if they could and requested a meeting today at 3 o'clock with the officials in Pittsburgh, as this was the most central point. This was reported at council meeting last evening, and it was the general opinion that there should be no one go, but Attorney McCloskey was of the opinion that it would be best to hear the proposition which the company would make for settlement, so it was this morning decided to attend the conference.

What proposition the water company has to put up to the people of Charleroi is a question. It is stated however that it is something to the effect that they will put in a filtration plant, and install a duplicate pump, and cement the reservoir from top to bottom, besides other things which would insure the citizens of this place decent service, but with the stipulation that they be allowed to raise the rates to the consumers.

If this is the proposition it was of little use for the representatives to go to Pittsburgh today, for the idea of raising the rates is outrageous. At the present time the company is getting a royalty off the rotten service, and the stockholders are lining their pockets with the lucre gained from this. Then to get respectable service they want more money. Such a thing is not to be contemplated for a moment.

The committee and McCloskey will find out the compromise that the company will agree upon, and act accordingly, but it is little thought that there can be any such effected. The Borough of Charleroi is ready to take over the franchise, and furnish water to the citizens of this place at a reasonable rate, and decently filtered. If the water company cannot make any-

thing out of the business, and will not under the present rates erect a filtration plant, this is the time to take over the franchise. Tests have been made of the water, to be produced at a hearing if there is one.

That the company is getting uneasy concerning the state of affairs is evidenced by their attempts at settlement. They do not care to go to court where it is more than likely they will be beaten, if that can be avoided. They are not the same arrogant, independent corporation to deal with that they were several months ago and now treat all requests courteously.

The water is now in a more filthy condition than it has perhaps ever been before. We do not say that a filter would make it perfect but it would go a long ways toward improv-

ing the liquid. As every resident of Charleroi knows, the stuff that we get through our water pipes at the present time is not fit for any domestic purpose. If we wish to take a bath, we may as well gather up the slushy and muddy material off the streets, place it in the bath tub, and jump in. We would get just about as much good of the bath. It is impossible to wash clothes to any degree of cleanliness, and the mud and other elements entering into the substance, if anything making the white goods worse than they were to begin with. It is not the acid now that does this. It is refuse and dirt, brought from up river points and not carried off, or thrown out, but pumped into the reservoir to be given out later to the patrons of the Charleroi Water company.

MAN ON HIGH TENSION WIRE

John Grundy, an engineer working on the river bridge, at Monongahela was seriously burned yesterday afternoon by a high tension wire. He was taken to the Memorial hospital and is in a critical condition.

He was on the first span of the bridge on this side and was measuring the cross beam. In some manner he came in contact with the high tension wire which crosses the bridge. He was pulled down upon the wire and it was necessary to lower him by ropes. This took considerable time, and when the man was finally lowered to the ground he was in a serious condition. He is about 32 years of age.

The accident caused considerable excitement and a large crowd stood on

the bridge while the work of rescue was going on and watched the unfortunate man slowly, but surely burning to death. The flames shot from his mouth, ears, and nose, and his comrades and fellowworkmen looked on, almost powerless to aid him. The work of getting him off the wire was dangerous, and owing to the fact that he could not be touched, it took considerable time.

Grundy was employed by E. K. Morris, a consulting engineer who is working for Washington and Allegheny counties in connection with the building of the new bridge. He was taking measurements for the purpose of making estimates for the plans of the new structure.

GOOD PROGRAM IS ARRANGED

An interesting program has been arranged for the watch meeting to be held in the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church on Thursday evening. It consists of musical numbers and addresses. There will be a number of solos and duets, and quartets will be a feature. The entertainment begins at 9 o'clock and continues until 12 when the New Year will be greeted.

HOUR OF SERVICES CHANGED TO 7:45

The time of the services this week at the First Presbyterian church has been changed from 7:30 until 7:45 o'clock. The meetings will be continued throughout this week. Tonight, Thursday and Friday nights Rev. J. H. Harvey of California will preach. Last night there was a goodly number out to hear Rev. William McKee of Monongahela. The meetings are proving very interesting.

Election.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Adena Mining company for the election of a board of directors for the ensuing year will be held in their general office Charleroi, Pa., January 12th, 1909.

J. K. Smith, President.
Charleroi, Pa., December 11th, '08.

HIGHWAYMAN AT BENTLEYVILLE

Bentleyville, Dec. 30.—Bureau of this victim could not produce more than \$2 and a railroad ticket avengeful highwayman pulled a gun and shot Lodi Viskin in the leg. The holdup occurred near the Catholic church last night, when it was scarcely dark. Then negro desperado behind the gun escaped and has not been found.

Last night Viskin stepped from the evening train and started toward his boarding house. He was well dressed and when he reached the Catholic church he was confronted by a negro who directed Viskin to throw up his hands. Viskin did as he was commanded and then the highwayman asked for his money. Viskin produced \$3 which was all he had and the railroad ticket.

The negro was not content with this and believing that the Italian had more money pulled a revolver and shot Viskin through the leg. Seeing that the shot had attracted the attention of residents nearby the holdup man did not wait to see what effect the shot would have on the foreigner in making him produce more money, but fled.

The injured man was taken to the office of Dr. Booth, where the bullet was probed for. It could not be located.

MAN KILLED ON TRACKS YESTERDAY

Monongahela, Dec. 30.—This evening while walking along the P. V. and C. tracks between West Elizabeth and Dravosburg, Thomas McGowan and wife, of Camden, were run down by passenger train 170, in charge of Conductor Austen. The man was instantly killed and Mrs. McGowan received slight injuries.

They had been walking along the south bound tracks when a freight pulled in and they shifted over to the north bound tracks.

The passenger train had been ordered over on these tracks to pass the freight.

The dead man was about 60 years of age and was considered wealthy. His wife will recover from her injuries.

Edmund Brown has left for St. Louis for a visit there on business for the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company.

GOOD MEN SUGGESTED BY DEMS

Five Named for Burgess at Meeting Last Night

The Democrats held a suggestion meeting last evening in the borough building, and a good list of candidates for the various offices were nominated. For Burgess there were five nominated. This number added to those on the Republican party and the one on the Independent ticket, will make a total of an even dozen out for the position. The Democrats chose good men as candidates for the nomination of various offices. Those who were suggested follow:

Burgess—J. A. Bowman, G. W. Risbeck, Dan Bowser, T. S. Province, C. E. Velleitay.

Council, 3 years—William Ritchey, D. C. Whitlatch, William Pfeighardt, Council, 1 year—John Bailey.

School Director—Fred Cooper, J. F. Bowman, Dr. T. M. Faddis.

Tax Collector—A. S. Mansfield.

Borough Auditor—Charles Byland.

First precinct Judge—Roy Lutes.

Inspector—L. E. Jones.

Second precinct Judge—Fred Estenfelder, Sr.

Inspector—J. F. Laird.

Third precinct Judge—William Sauters.

Inspector—Robert Woods.

Assistant Assessor—First precinct, Samuel Michener, Second precinct, Louis Bruen, Third precinct, George Leyda.

TIMES SAYS MAY GET THE ARMORY

The visit of Capt. Arch Powell to Monongahela, to hold the election in Company A, revived the talk of an armory for the local organization. It is a well known fact that Monongahela can get such a building, if a proper site can be obtained.

Our local chamber of commerce should aid the officers of the local company into obtaining a desirable site, which we believe is possible, and which would be the means of giving to our city one of the finest buildings in the valley, as well as the only one of its kind. In addition to that, it would increase interest in our military company which has become one of the institutions of the city, and which can be kept here indefinitely, if our citizens only show the proper spirit in giving it encouragement.

The officers of the company have a couple of sites under consideration, and if it is possible to get them at a reasonable figure, the proposition may be put up to our citizens in a concrete form, ready for action.

In any event, it would be a good move to secure the armory.—Times.

Documents Has Unique Features

A document presenting a number of curious features was the joint will of two Fayette City sisters was filed yesterday in the Fayette county courts for probate with the register. Dated not three weeks before the death of one of the sisters, the will recites the joint wish of the sisters, who spent their lives together, that the surviving one should enjoy the benefits of the estate during her surviving years and that at her death the joint estate should go to a nephew.

The joint signers of the document were Maria L. and Alcinda Larimer, while the joint heir is James B. Larimer, who is also named as executor.

The document is dated April 10, 1905 and is witnessed by G. T. Crossbie, M. D., and Robert M. Thinkfield. Marie was the first to pass away, her death being recorded as April 28, 1905. Her estate was valued at \$750 in personal and \$1,100 in real estate. Alcinda died November 25, last. Her estate is valued at \$1,300 in personal property and a batch of Fayette City real estate upon which no value is placed.

Mrs. C. E. Miller is spending the day in Pittsburgh with friends.

TWO LETTERS FROM WATER COMPANY READ IN COUNCIL

New Pastor is Given Charge

Rev. F. H. Howard the new pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church at Monongahela was installed in his new pastorate last evening. The charge to Rev. Howard was given by Rev. J. Bragdon Markwood of Pittsburgh. The charge to the people was given by Rev. G. A. Hines. Rev. C. E. Frontz of the Charleroi church was present and assisted in the services. Rev. Albeck of Monongahela was also present and assisted. He was the former pastor of the Monessen church.

COUPLE WEDDED FOR FIVE MONTHS

The friends of Prof. Bela R. Smith, the popular High School teacher here, and Miss Sallie Cook of Belle Vernon this morning learned of their marriage which occurred in August last, it is understood, in Beaver. The young couple have kept the affair a secret ever since, and but for an unfortunate word on the part of one of those having knowledge of it which gave the whole thing away, would be yet. In August the couple went to Beaver to attend the wedding of a couple and it is understood that soon after the performance of the ceremony secured a license, and went to the home of a pastor of one of the churches and themselves were married after enjoining him and the witnesses to keep quiet. The announcement was to be made later, probably at the end of the recent school year. The first knowledge of the wedding came in the home of the bride. One of the sisters got an inkling of the affair, and investigation proved the truth.

Miss Cook is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cook, one of the best known families of Belle Vernon. She is immensely popular, and enjoys a large acquaintance. Prof. Smith is a young man of excellent attainments and like the bride very popular. He has been connected with the local High school for two years. For his excellent work last year he was this year elected to the principalship. Mr. Smith is a Grove City college graduate.

The couple have the best wishes of a host of friends.

CONCERT COMPANY AMONG THE BEST

The Evelyn Bargelt Concert company which is to appear here on Friday evening is claimed to be one of the best attractions on the Redpath Lyceum bureau. Their music is above what the people of Charleroi get to hear as a rule, and Miss Bargelt as a reader and cartoonist is excellent. It is thought that there will be an immense crowd out to attend this attraction.

Brown.

Christopher Bert, age 8 months, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Brown, Jr. died at the home of his parents at 4:15 o'clock this morning. The services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in the Charleroi cemetery. Mrs. Brown was formerly Miss Bertha Miksch.

Were to the Effect that Plugs Could Not be Used at Meter Rates and Various Repairs Had Been Made.

NO OFFICER IS ELECTED

Report Made But No Definite Action Taken by City Fathers

Two letters were read from the Charleroi water company at the meeting of council last night. One concerning the matter of the Macbeth Evans company wishing to have the water on meter, instead of paying at the usual rate. The company stated that they could not grant this request, as it was entirely contrary with their custom. The other was concerning certain plugs in town that they were to be fixed. One of these was at Ninth street and Fallowfield avenue, one at Seventh and McKean and one at Second and Washington. Tests will be made of the plugs which it is stated were repaired. Councilman Five stated that the plug at the corner of Second street and Washington had not been placed in the proper condition and as it was desired. The company is to be notified of this.

Clerk Nickerson stated that he had received a check for \$297 from the Pittsburgh Railways company for their pole tax. This brought up the matter of what companies had numbered their poles as compelled in an action taken in June last. Some it was, learned had not fully complied as yet with the order, and it was decided that all companies should be notified to again number the poles after which the "dead" poles would be cut down.

The ordinance governing the sale of powder and explosives in the borough was taken up and passed second reading. It was referred back to the ordinance committee for some changes to be made.

The claim of Ellis Sphar for \$85 damages was brought up by Councilman Five of the accounts and Claims committee. He said that the borough solicitor had given as his opinion on the matter, that the condition of the road at the place where Mr. Sphar's wagon was wrecked, and the various phases of the question be learned. It was suggested that council in a body visit with Attorney McCloskey, and Mr. Sphar the place where the wreck occurred and then try to agree upon settlement.

The matter of a man for the firemen's quarters was discussed, but no action was taken more than to hold over the matter until the next meeting, or some subsequent one.

The question of a sidewalk for a portion of Shady avenue, near Third street was talked over. It was decided to consult the borough solicitor in the matter.

Two petitions were read, one from the trustees of the M. E. church asking for a light at the corner of Sixth street and Lincoln avenue and one to have council instruct the Bell Telephone company to remove a pole from in front of the store of P. J. Deprez, 708 Fallowfield avenue. The former matter was placed in the hands of the light committee for investigation and the latter in the hands of the street committee.

J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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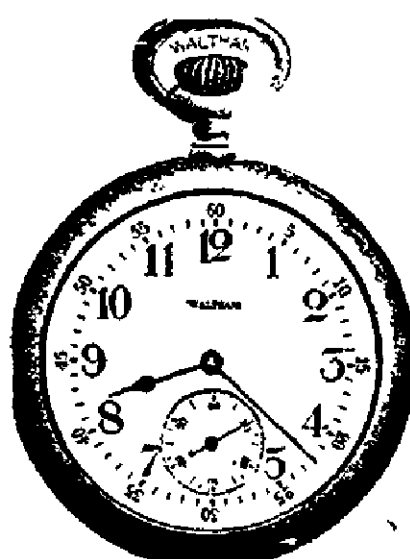
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Olyde Collins... Speers
M. Dooley... Dunlavy
Gustave Clements... Lock No. 4

Dec. 30 In History.
40—Titus, Roman emperor, born;
died 81.
1504—Queen Isabella of Spain, patron
of Columbus, died; born 1451.
1787—Otto von Kotzebue, explorer,
born; died 1846.
1861—The banks in New York, Phila-
delphia and Boston suspended spe-
cial payments.
1903—The Iroquois theater burned in
Chicago; 583 lives lost.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.
Sun sets 4:38, rises 7:20; moon sets
1:04 a. m.; 1 a. m., planet Jupiter ap-
parently stationary; sun's declination
23 degrees 10 minutes.

Genius But Hard Work.

"There is little genius in this world; it is all hard work," was re-
marked by a man the other day, who
thus struck one of the greatest truths
of the age. We say if there is one
who is particularly clever in a certain
line, he is a genius, and let it go at
that. The chances are however, that
if you would take the time to look up
this record you would find he has done
lots of hard work, and his success is
not due to that "genius," so styled
by you, but rather the persistent
effort and stick-to-itiveness of the in-
dividual. He makes his own oppor-
tunities; he hasn't time to wait for
them to turn up. And then us mor-
tals who are not given to exerting
ourselves unless absolutely compelled,
remark that he is a wonderfully suc-
cessful fellow, and envy him, in long
drawn out and complaining sentences.
If instead of watching the other fel-
low make good, we would get busy,
our success would be assured just the
same as his. Every person has some
talent, some gift; possibly it may
be an aptitude for working with tools,
or possibly an ability to write. At
any rate it is up to us then to learn
just what this special gift is, and
profit by the knowledge. The real
genius is indeed rare. In looking
back through the ages, what men who
have gained a place in history were
talented so far above others in their
special line? Then with this brief
bit of philosophy it behooves us in
the coming New Year to make a reso-
lution, by which to faithfully abide,
that we try to make a little "genius"
out of ourselves, and show our neigh-
bors that despite our failings and
shortcomings that after all we are
worth something.

A New Phase.

The pen is mightier than the sword,
they used to tell us, and so it is, as
a moral force. But the sword in the
hands of the user is better far the
development of the body than is the
pen. However, since one uses the
sword for physical exercise and com-
paratively few use the foil, the
writing machine seems to supply what
was sorely needed. It may appear to
be mightier than either. And for the
man who writes almost constantly
when at his desk it would supply, in

the place of back-breaking, nerve-
destroying, muscle-killing work, a
form of physical exercise which would
keep most of the upper body and arm
muscles in pretty good trim.

Electric Sparks

A strange contagious malady is
killing the hogs up near Altoona.
This is bad news, unless perchance it
should develop that it may be com-
municated to the end-seat variety.

A California man had found a rich
mine down his well. He doubtless
now thinks there is more than poetry
in the saying: "Riches lies at the
bottom of a well."

It isn't always absent-mindedness
that causes a man to lose his temper.

Some men are born leaders and
others are satisfied to be cotillion
leaders.

The gunner who goes after birds
with a flask in his pocket is generally
satisfied with swallows.

If a man begins to sing his own
praises you can drown him out by
blowing your own horn.

The fact that a Yale student met,
wooded and married a girl all in three
days shows that Eli's sons can get
there, too.

The sight of an unknown plain
clothes man in his neighborhood is
enough to give the average Pittsburg
councilman an attack of the shivers.

It is time to make the first rough
draft of those resolutions that you
will present to yourself for adoption
next Friday.

The Mikado assures Japan in his
address to Parliament of two things—
peace and economy in government.
As the United States has been
assured of the first, notwithstanding
the labors of the war scare bureaus,
it might be a fine experiment for our
statesmen to add the second.

While the most modern type of jus-
tice may regard the camera as might-
ier than the sword and scales, it re-
mains the fact that the snapshot must
be made at the psychological moment.

This extravagant joy of Curacao
over the Genez regime in Venezuela
might reach the extreme of violating
the Monroe doctrine by setting up a
Holland dynasty in the republic.

They are investigating investiga-
tors in the Pittsburg graft cases.
Now who is going to investigate the
investigators of the investigators, and
then who will investigate the investi-
gators of the investigators of the in-
vestigators?

What could be more appropriate
than that teamsters who served in the
war with Mexico should now be pen-
sioned? Doubtless they took many an
oath to support the cause.

It is now claimed in all seriousness
that rheumatism is communicated by
kissing. This may be true but how
it was ever discovered is beyond us.
As far as our observation goes folks
afflicted with "rheumatiz" never
figured as kisser or kissees.

One New Castle minister took a
whack at the big hats the ladies wear,
yesterday. But when they take them
off, what do we see? A vast plaited
mass of borrowed stuff as large as a
wagon wheel. When a mere man
sits behind one of those staggering
mountains of wavy, scented hair he
realizes his woeful insignificance.—
New Castle Herald.

Technical Forestry.

Japan has longer than any other
country practiced technical forestry.
With extraordinary skill and absolute
success the authorities have for 120
years planted and cared for the forest
trees. The results have been really
wonderful, for through the extremely
sedulous management and the knowl-
edge and skill by degree attained,
the financial gains have been very
large, indeed. Not a twig is ever
wasted. The trees are regarded as
almost sacred property, and not a
particle of any one of them is regard-
ed as rubbish, so close is the utiliza-
tion. Thinning and all departments
of aboreal culture are very carefully
conducted. At the end of thirteen
years from planting a woodlot is
thinned by experts, and then every
five years the process is repeated for
one hundred and twenty years, the
average period of the cultivation of a
set of trees.

Notice.

Grand reception given on New Years
evening by Government clerks in Bank
of Charleroi hall, hours 8 to 1. 11613

PROMINENT MAN OF MONONGAHELA DIES

Monongahela, Dec. 30.—Major
Hiram Warne, one of the most promi-
nent residents of this region died last
evening at 5 o'clock at the home of
his sister, Miss Ella Warne, age 64
years. He was the son of the late
Joseph Warne and died in the house
where he was born.

Mr. Warne was a bachelor and upon
being taken ill was removed from his
home in the First ward to that of his
sister. During his life he had been
strongly identified with affairs of the
river and of Monongahela. For
some time he was a member of the
city council. He was a member of
the Warne Coal company, which later
disposed of its interests. He was
well known as a river man, he and
his father having built and operated
one of the first steamers on the Mon-
ongahela river, the "Joseph Warne."

Major Warne survived by two sis-
ters, Miss Ella Warne, of Mononga-
hela, and Mrs. Samuel Canan, of
Wichita, Kan., and three brothers,
Porter Warne, of Wichita, Kan.,
Thomas Warne, of Carmichaels, and
M. S. Warne, of Monongahela, J.
Park Warne, of Washington, is a
nephew.

Funeral arrangements have not yet
been made.

THREE ARE TAKEN TO COUNTY JAIL

There were three prisoners placed
in the hands of Turnkey W. C. Mc-
Bride, of the county jail yesterday,
Manton Cox, Canonsburg; Joe Silke,
Monongahela, and Robert Clark, Ells-
worth. Cox is charged with open
lewdness on oath of S. W. Swan.

Cox was taken before Justice T.
M. Reese, who sentenced him to jail
for 30 days in default of a fine of \$10
and costs. Joe Silke was committed
by Alderman R. L. Elwood. He is
charged with felonious shooting and in
default of \$1,000 was held for court.
Joe Senick is the prosecutor. Robert
Clark was sent up by Justice David
Reese. He is charged with surety
of the peace on oath of Essex Clark.

Call for Aid Reaches Afar

That the call for aid in behalf of
the sufferers as the result of the Mar-
iana mine disaster has reached far
beyond the borders of Pennsylvania,
is daily made more evident. The re-
lief committee is receiving contribu-
tions from Indiana, Ohio, West Vir-
ginia, New York, Minnesota, Michi-
gan, Arkansas and many other points
through the country.

Probably one of the most notable
contributions received to date is that
from J. Pierpont Morgan and Co., of
New York. The firm of which the
famous financier is head, gives \$1,000
to the cause.

There has been to date received
\$4,607.39

Attacks on Penrose by Sheatz Circulars

A committee composed of George
T. Weingartner, Ira McKunklin and
Frank Briery have been sending cir-
culars to the press throughout the
state trying to boost John O. Sheatz
for the senate. In this circular they
attack Penrose, and make him out an
impure man and dishonest politician.
The press is not taking much account
of these circulars except to have a
laugh over them. It is evident that
some one is spending dollars for noth-
ing, and perhaps that man is Mr.
Sheatz. How about it?

SOCIAL COMMITTEE GIVES A DANCE

The social committee of B. P. O.
Elks last night in the club rooms
gave an informal dance. The affair
was largely attended and was a most
enjoyable event. Dancing was from
8 to 1. Quite a number of guests
were present from out of town. The
committee was composed of the fol-
lowing men: J. Bryant Tussing, Den-
nis Oates, and H. S. Piersol.

On Inspection Tour.

The county commissioners yesterday
inspected the Lane Pine road which is
being improved by N. C. Hunter.
About two miles of road have been
surfaced and an additional mile has
been stoned. The length of road to
be improved is about four miles. A
large force of men are employed.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Miss Mary Haden has just been cho-
sen a member of the senate of the new
Dublin university. Another woman is
on the council of the new Belfast uni-
versity.

Mrs. Sarah Bryant is one of the
smartest old ladies in Stonington, Me.
Although ninety years of age, she vis-
its her neighbors daily and can sew
and knit better than many younger
people.

Miss Grace O'Connor of Holyoke,
Mass., has passed the examination
conducted by the state board of phar-
macy and is believed to be the only
woman in that section of the state
who holds the honor of being a regis-
tered pharmacist.

As a memorial to her late husband,
Samuel Matshak, his widow, Mrs. Ray
Matshak, has given the money neces-
sary to equip a department for sur-
gical mechanico-therapeutics at the
Vanderbilt clinic of the College of
Physicians and Surgeons of New York
city.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor of New York
has taken Mrs. Adair's home on Cur-
zon street, London, for the season.
The Adair house is one of the most
commodious in Mayfair. It has a
spacious ballroom decorated in Louis
Seize style, and the other furnishings
are magnificent.

Mrs. Elbridge Claiborne is the first
woman to cast a vote at the annual
election of the directors of the Trades
League of Philadelphia. She is a wid-
ow and conducts a thriving real estate
business in Philadelphia. Her voting
excited considerable comment, though
her right was not denied.

The Don't Worry Theory.

The usual advice given to the wor-
rier is "Don't worry." This advice is
foolish because impractical. No one
can stop thinking one type of thought
except by substituting for it another.
Besides, it is dangerous advice, for,
even supposing one could mechanically
put an end to a worrying state of
mind, he would simply be like an en-
gineer who should plant himself on the
safety valve of his engine. The energy
expended in worry, turned inward on
itself, would tear the mental mechan-
ism to pieces. No! What the wor-
ried man or woman needs evidently
is to be taught how to find a health-
ful outlet for his or her nervous power
thus going to waste. If we say "Don't
worry," let us also be careful to add,
"But work," and let us also point out
what kind of work should be under-
taken and the spirit in which it ought
to be done. In other words, what the
worrier needs is re-education.—Rev. S.
S. McComb in Harper's Bazar.

An Eccentric Genius.

Among the geniuses none perhaps
was stranger than the poet Baudelaire,
who dyed his hair green, tried to stran-
gle his father-in-law, used opium, to-
bacco and wine to excess and enjoyed
perverted olfactory sensations. "My
soul soars upon perfumes as the souls
of other men soar upon music," he
wrote. But what pleased him, strange-
ly, were odors of putrefaction, vile
smells which other men abhorred and
the stench of disease which made
others sick. And yet his poetry is
among the most passionately musical
of the literature of France. He was
exceedingly superstitious, believing he
would not succeed in an undertaking
unless he left a house first with the
left foot, and would count the number
of gas jets along the streets, the num-
bers of cabs and numbers of doors.
Adding these figures in his mind, he
would consider the result an omen—
multiples of three good, multiples of
seven reassuring, while his last num-
ber was seventeen. Curiously, once he
was thrown out of a cab, the figure of
which he added and found amounted
to seventeen.

Too Particular.

The finical customer at the fish mar-
ket pointed at a sign in the window
with this inscription upon it: "Anjo-
vis."
"What does that mean?" he asked.
"What is an anjovis?"
"Anjovis," answered the proprietor,
"are little fishes. Didn't ye never hear
of 'em?"
"No mean anchovies, don't you?"
"Not unless you want to buy some,
sir," sternly spoke the proprietor. "If
a man wants to buy my fish he can
call 'em what he darn pleasees. When
I'm puttin' up signs on my fish I'll call
'em what I darn pleasee, and anybody
who don't like 'em don't have to look
at 'em, sir."

The finical customer muttered an
apology and escaped further trouble by
purchasing a dime's worth of smoked
herring, a harmless, unassuming fish
about whose name there could be no
possible dispute.—Chicago Tribune.

The Stone Age.

The stone age still exists among some
of the Islanders of the south Pacific and
the Eskimos of the extreme north as
well as in a few other spots here and
there on the earth. The progress of
early culture in Europe seems to have
been from the south and east toward
the north and west, so that the emer-
gence of the different peoples from
their age of stone was accomplished
much earlier in southern and eastern
Europe than in the north and west.
But, while the stone age of different
areas is thus not necessarily synchro-
nous, it seems to be true of all Euro-
pean areas that this is the earliest con-
dition in which man has appeared upon
them. This holds for all other areas as
well, evidences of the stone age having
been fully established in India, China,
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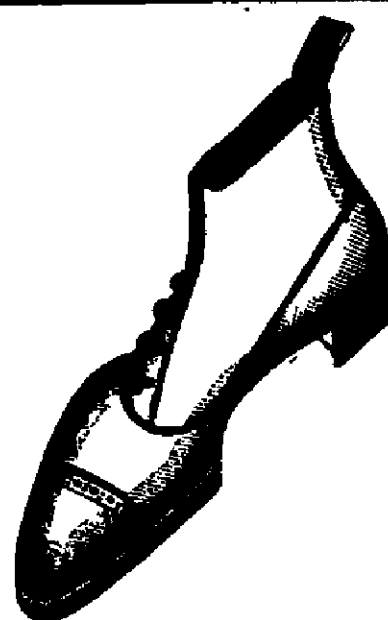
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One of the Strange Legends of the Yuma Indians.

CAUSE OF THE GREAT STORM.

The Tipping Up of the Earth Caused the Deluge Which Engulfed the World—The Mysterious Ark and the Escape of the Chosen Few.

To this day the great deluge recorded in the Bible is a mystery to the North American Indian. He will not be led to believe that the flood was brought about by the sins of man. He is equally unwilling to believe that it was the work of an angry God, as he could not see how the Almighty should be so unjust as to punish the Indians of America for the naughty things of a race of people across the ocean. Another reason which makes it still more difficult for the Indian to believe that the flood was a punishment to the world is the fact that with him there is no sin. In his language there is no such word, nor does he expect to be punished for any of his acts.

But though there is no equivalent to the word sin in the Indian language (nor in the Indian mind until the Christians came), the Indians have their philosophy in regard to what is commonly so termed. Some of their teachers (most of whom claimed to have been taught the philosophy of life and its laws directly by disembodied spirits or by ethereal beings from other planets) taught that as man lives here so is his life hereafter. If he is quarrelsome or warlike here, so he will be in the more spiritual life. If he is serene and contented here, so he will be there, etc.

The deluge, as described by the few who were miraculously saved, was the more grandly terrible in that it came on suddenly. From the highlands occupied by the Indians they saw the waves of the sea sweep in upon the land and recede, only to advance with immensely increased volume and stupendously huge breakers. Then there came a terrific storm that seemed to blow from all and in all directions. The storm caused huge waterspouts which appeared over the wild ocean as far as the eye could see. The terrified people fled to the mountains, but these were all soon to be submerged, with the exception of one. This mountain which alone remained uncovered by the flood is called Aree-hellah (Mountain of the Moon), yet today it is not a very high mountain.

For awhile before the mountains became submerged there was a great calm, and a dense fog covered the earth. Then suddenly a mighty boat appeared to the awed view of the Indians. It approached and stopped at the several mountains still uncovered by the waters, and at each point where it touched, as if guided by invisible intelligence, the Indians, as if obeying an unspoken but potent command, entered the boat.

The boat rested first at a place called Aree-quah-lul (mountain peak), now Pilot Knob, on the border of Mexico. There was a mesa on the top of this mountain, though at this day it does not exist, and on this mesa the Indians first celebrated their delivery. This they did by playing sacred games, chanting sacred songs, etc. On rocks at the foot of this peak there are hieroglyphics in an unknown language, which some of the Indians believe were made by those who survived the flood. Petrified driftwood is still to be seen two-thirds the distance up the sides of Aree-hellah, which drift, the Indians say, was deposited by the waves of the great flood.

The Indians, having rested for a time on the mountain peak, again entered the boat and were carried eastward, eventually to a small valley. Here they again rested, and then, leaving the boat, they wandered from one place to another, after a time returning to the valley. To their surprise, the boat was gone. It could not have floated away, for the land was dry whereon they had left it, the flood having subsided after a great calm of its waters. The boat could not have crumbled to pieces, for there had not been time for its decay. They could only conclude that the mysterious boat, having fulfilled its mission of preserving a few of their race, had disappeared as miraculously as it had appeared.

The spot where the mysterious boat, or ark, had rested was marked by the Indians placing there a huge log. They called the place Quai-to-para (boat's resting place). This spot is held sacred by the Indians, who will seldom point it out to strangers. Not many hundred years ago, it is said, some Indian warriors were passing the spot, and one of them to show his skepticism shot an arrow into the side of the great log. Immediately a stream of blood gushed from the spot pierced, and the skeptic fell dead. The story of the event was carried to all the near tribes, and since then Indians passing the place fear to even look leisurely at the log.

A reason given by the Indians as the probable cause of the flood was that there was a tribe of Indians who, like Columbus, believed that the earth was not flat, but round, and to prove whether this theory were true thousands from the different tribes banded together and started out on a journey to find the edge of the earth if it was flat. The flood occurred soon after the Indians started on this journey, so that they really believed that those adventurers had reached the edge of the earth and their weight had tipped the earth to such an extent as to cause the water to rush in on the land.—Los Angeles Times.

MAN'S HEADGEAR.

From the Primitive Cap to the Glossy High Hat of Today.

Earliest of all forms of headgear was the cap. The hat did not really come into common use till the seventeenth century. In the time of Charles I. the queer high sugar loaf shaped hat came into fashion. It was wound with a rich band and trimmed with a feather. Constant balancing of the head was necessary to keep it on. The hat was taken up by the Puritans, who satisfied their bitter consciences by discarding the frivolous band and the wicked feather.

Charles II. brought the French perwig into England, and the tall hat went out to make way for a low, broad brimmed thing, gorgeous with feathers and gimcracks. These broad brims became broader and broader. At last it became necessary to turn them up. First this was done at the back, finally according to the wearer's idea.

Out of this extravagant style of headgear grew the cocked hat. The footmen and the liveried coachmen of many European nations still wear this style of headgear. During Queen Anne's time the cocked hat was the hat of the gentleman. The correct fashion was to carry it under the arm as much as possible.

The French revolution, which took off so many heads that had worn the cocked hat, took off the cocked hat too. In its place the crescent shape became the style, partly by force. The direct ancestor of that dreadful thing, the high hat of today, was the noble and sturdy beaver. Beavers went out of fashion largely because the supply of material became exhausted.—London Answers.

NATURAL SOAP.

The Queer Fruit of a Tree That Grows in Algeria.

Soap grows on trees in Algeria. The soap tree is ornamental and reaches a height of fifty feet. It begins to bear fruit when six years old. The wood is close grained, takes a good polish and is admirably suited for furniture. The average income from a tree is \$10 to \$20 a year. The composition of the fruit consists of a nut shaped hull in which is a seed. In the hull exists the soapy matter in the proportion of 30 to 40 per cent of the bulk of the hull. The soap principle is set free by the shredding of the hull and using it with water just as if it were a piece of soap. A beautiful lather is the result, and the cleansing qualities are such that there is no soap made by human process that can compare with them. For toilet purposes the same applies. The hull can be made into a powder and the powder into a cake, so as to make the use of it easier. It can also be made into a liquid for hair wash, dentifrice and various other preparations. Seeds of the Algerian soap tree have been imported to the United States, and soap trees have been discovered in Florida indigenous to the soil. The seed has a kernel which contains a fixed oil in every respect preferable to the best imported olive oil, either for eating or culinary purposes, and also for all kinds of industrial products in which the olive oil is used. The yield in oil is twice that of the olive fruit.—Baltimore American.

Wild Animals and Medicine.

A writer in the British Medical Journal thinks that an interesting essay might be written on the addition to medical remedies made by animals. It is said that it is to dogs we owe the knowledge of the fever abating properties of bark, while to the hippopotamus is attributed the use of bleeding. The story as told in Phileas Fogg's translation of "Pang" is as follows: "The blue-horse hath taught physicians one device in that part of their profession called Surgery, for he finding himself over-gross and fat by reason of his high feeding so continually gets forth of the water to the shore, having spied afore where the reeds and rushes have bin newly cut, and where he seeth the sharpest cane and best pointed, hee sets his body hard on to it to prick a certaine vein in one of his legs, and thus by letting himself blood maketh evacuation, whereby his body, otherwise inclining to diseases and maladies, is well eased of the superfluous humor, and having thus done hee stoppeth the orifice againe with mud and so stancheth the blood and healeth the wound."

One Fish Didn't Grow.

A number of men were telling of remarkable catches off Atlantic City, and one of them said that one day he caught a very small cod, and, not caring to take home such a little fellow, he took a piece of copper wire, ran it through the tail of the fish, and on one end of the wire he attached a copper tag with his name scratched upon it. "The next year when I was off there," continued the man, "I got a heavy pull on the line, and after five minutes fighting landed a twelve pound cod, and there on its tail was my tag."

"That reminds me of a similar experience off there," said another man. "I caught one of those small cod, and I wanted to hang some sort of identification on it, but I couldn't find anything in the copper tag line from one end of the boat to the other. I did find, however, a little tin whistle in one of my pockets, and running a wire through the tail of the fish, I hung on the whistle and threw the cod back into the water."

"The following year I got a most peculiar bite on my hook, and after pulling in the line I got the surprise of my life. There was the same little cod. He hadn't grown an inch, but hanging on his tail was a long fog horn."—Philadelphia Press.

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CHARLEROI WATER COMPANY UNEASY--WANTS TO EFFECT COMPROMISE WITH BOROUGH

ASK MEMBERS OF COUNCIL TO COME FOR CONFERENCE

Will Submit Proposition to Officials This Afternoon in Office of Gordon and Smith, the Attorneys for the Company--McCloskey with the Local Men.

WATER WORSE THAN IT EVER WAS BEFORE

This afternoon the water committee of council, headed by President F. W. Jones and the borough solicitor, D. M. McCloskey are in Pittsburgh conferring with the attorneys of the Charleroi Water company and President Mellon to hear a proposition which they have to make in an effort to compromise the matter of the suits which are now on between the company and the borough and Charles Schmieler, Frank Riva, and Joseph A. Hepler, representing the residents of the borough, against the company. The conference is being held at the office of the Company's attorneys, Gordon and Smith, in the Frick building.

Yesterday word was sent to Attorney D. M. McCloskey here that the company would like to compromise matters if they could and requested a meeting today at 3 o'clock with the officials in Pittsburgh, as this was the most central point. This was reported at council meeting last evening, and it was the general opinion that there should be no one go, but Attorney McCloskey was of the opinion that it would be best to hear the proposition which the company would make for settlement, so it was this morning decided to attend the conference.

What proposition the water company has to put up to the people of Charleroi is a question. It is stated however that it is something to the effect that they will put in a filtration plant, and install a duplicate pump, and cement the reservoir from top to bottom, besides other things which would insure the citizens of this place decent service, but with the stipulation that they be allowed to raise the rates to the consumers.

If this is the proposition it was of little use for the representatives to go to Pittsburgh today, for the idea of raising the rates is outrageous. At the present time the company is getting a royalty off the rotten service, and the stockholders are lining their pockets with the lucre gained from fifth. Then to get respectable service they want more money. Such a thing is not to be contemplated for a moment.

The committee and McCloskey will find out the compromise that the company will agree upon, and act accordingly, but it is little thought that there can be any such effected. The Borough of Charleroi is ready to take over the franchise, and furnish water to the citizens of this place at a reasonable rate, and decently filtered. If the water company cannot make any-

thing out of the business, and will not under the present rates erect a filtration plant, this is the time to take over the franchise. Tests have been made of the water, to be produced at a hearing if there is one.

That the company is getting uneasy concerning the state of affairs is evidenced by their attempts at settlement. They do not care to go to court where it is more than likely they will be beaten, if that can be avoided. They are not the arrogant, independent corporation to deal with that they were several months ago and now treat all requests courteously.

The water is now in a more filthy condition than it has perhaps ever been before. We do not say that a filter would make it perfect but it would go a long way toward improv-

ing the liquid. As every resident of Charleroi knows, the stuff that we get through our water pipes at the present time is not fit for any domestic purpose. If we wish to take a bath, we may as well gather up the slushy and muddy material off the street, place it in the bath tub, and jump in. We would get just about as much good of the bath. It is impossible to wash clothes to any degree of cleanliness, and the mud and other elements entering into the substance of anything making the white goods worse than they were to begin with. It is not the acid now that does this. It is refuse and dirt, brought from up river points and not tarried off, or thrown out, but pumped into the reservoir to be given out later to the patrons of the Charleroi Water company.

MAN ON HIGH TENSION WIRE

John Grundy, an engineer working on the river bridge, at Monongahela was seriously burned yesterday afternoon by a high tension wire. He was taken to the Memorial hospital and is in a critical condition.

He was on the first span of the bridge on this side and was measuring the cross beam. In some manner he came in contact with the high tension wire which crosses the bridge. He was pulled down upon the wire and it was necessary to lower him by ropes. This took considerable time, and when the man was finally lowered to the ground he was in a serious condition. He is about 32 years of age.

The accident caused considerable excitement and a large crowd stood on

the bridge while the work of rescue was going on and watched the unfortunate man slowly, but surely burning to death. The flames shot from his mouth, ears, and nose, and his comrades and fellowworkmen looked on, almost powerless to aid him. The work of getting him off the wire was dangerous, and owing to the fact that he could not be touched, it took considerable time.

Grundy was employed by E. K. Morris, a consulting engineer who is working for Washington and Allegheny counties in connection with the building of the new bridge. He was taking measurements for the purpose of making estimates for the plans of the new structure.

GOOD PROGRAM IS ARRANGED

An interesting program has been arranged for the watch meeting to be held in the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church on Thursday evening. It consists of musical numbers and addresses. There will be a number of solos and duets, and quartets will be a feature. The entertainment begins at 9 o'clock and continues until 12 when the New Year will be greeted.

HOUR OF SERVICES CHANGED TO 7:45

The time of the services this week at the First Presbyterian church has been changed from 7:30 until 7:45 o'clock. The meetings will be continued throughout this week. Tonight, Thursday and Friday nights Rev. J. H. Harvey of California will preach. Last night there was a goodly number out to hear Rev. William McKee of Monongahela. The meetings are proving very interesting.

Election.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Adams Mining company for the election of a board of directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held in their general office Charleroi, Pa., January 12th, 1909.

J. K. Smith, President.
Charleroi, Pa., December 11th, '08.

HIGHWAYMAN AT BENTLEYVILLE

Bentleyville, Dec. 30.—Because his victim could not produce more than \$5 and a railroad ticket a desperate highwayman pulled a gun and shot Lodi Viskin in the leg. The holdup occurred near the Catholic church last night, when it was scarcely dark. Then negro desperado behind the gun escaped and has not been found.

Last night Viskin stepped from the evening train and started toward his boarding house. He was well dressed and when he reached the Catholic church he was confronted by a negro who directed Viskin to throw up his hands. Viskin did as he was commanded and then the highwayman asked for his money. Viskin produced \$5 which was all he had and the railroad ticket.

The negro was not content with this and believing that the Italian had more money pulled a revolver and shot Viskin through the leg. Seeing that the shot had attracted the attention of residents nearby the holdup man did not wait to see what effect the shot would have on the foreigner in making him produce more money, but fled.

The injured man was taken to the office of Dr. Booth, where the bullet was probed for. It could not be located.

MAN KILLED ON TRACKS YESTERDAY

Monongahela, Dec. 30.—This evening while walking along the P. V. and C. tracks between West Elizabeth and Dravosburg, Thomas McGowan and wife, of Camden, were run down by passenger train 170, in charge of Conductor Austen. The man was instantly killed and Mrs. McGowan received slight injuries.

They had been walking along the south bound tracks when a freight pulled in and they shifted over to the north bound tracks.

The passenger train had been ordered over on these tracks to pass the freight.

The dead man was about 60 years of age and was considered wealthy. His wife will recover from her injuries.

Edward Brown has left for St. Louis for a visit there on business for the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company.

GOOD MEN SUGGESTED BY DEMS

Five Named for Burgess at Meeting Last Night

The Democrats held a convention meeting last evening in the borough building, and a good list of candidates for the various offices were nominated. For Burgess there were five nominated. This number added to those on the Republican party and the one on the Independent ticket, will make a total of an even dozen out for the position. The Democrats chose good men as candidates for the nomination of various offices. Those who were suggested follow:

Burgess—J. A. Bowman, G. W. Risbeck, Dan Bowser, T. S. Province, C. E. Veletay.
Council, 3 years—William Ritchey, D. C. Whitlatch, William Pfeghardt.
Council, 1 year—John Bailey.
School Director—Fred Cooper, J. F. Bowman, Dr. T. M. Faddis.
Tax Collector—A. S. Mansfield.
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Inspector—L. E. Jobs.
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Inspector—J. F. Laird.
Third precinct Judge—William Sauters.
Inspector—Robert Woods.
Assistant Assessor—First precinct, Samuel Michener, Second precinct, Louis Brusa, Third precinct, George Leyda.

TIMES SAYS MAY GET THE ARMORY

The visit of Capt. Arch Powell to Monongahela, to hold the election in Company A, revived the talk of an armory for the local organization. It is a well known fact that Monongahela can get such a building, if a proper site can be obtained.

Our local chapter of commerce should aid the officers of the local company in obtaining a desirable site, which we believe is possible, and which would be the means of giving to our city one of the finest buildings in the valley, as well as the only one of its kind. In addition to that, it would increase interest in our military company which has become one of the institutions of the city, and which can be kept here indefinitely, if our citizens only show the proper spirit in giving it encouragement.

The officers of the company have a couple of sites under consideration, and if it is possible to get them at a reasonable figure, the proposition may be put up to our citizens in a concrete form, ready for action.

In any event, it would be a good move to secure the armory.—Times.

Documents Has Unique Features

A document presenting a number of curious features was the joint will of two Fayette City sisters was filed yesterday in the Fayette county courts for probate with the register. Dated not three weeks before the death of one of the sisters, the will recites the joint wish of the sisters, who spent their lives together, that the surviving one should enjoy the benefits of the estate during her surviving years and that at her death the joint estate should go to a nephew.

The joint signers of the document were Maria L. and Aleinda Larimer, while the joint heir is James B. Larimer, who is also named as executor.

The document is dated April 10, 1905 and is witnessed by G. T. Crusbie, M. D., and Robert M. Thirkield. Maria was the first to pass away, her death being recorded as April 28, 1905. Her estate was valued at \$750 in personal property and a batch of Fayette City real estate upon which no value is placed.

Aleinda died November 25, last. Her estate is valued at \$1,300 in personal property and a batch of Fayette City real estate upon which no value is placed.

Mrs. C. E. Miller is spending the day in Pittsburgh with friends.

TWO LETTERS FROM WATER COMPANY READ IN COUNCIL

New Pastor is Given Charge

Rev. F. H. Howard the new pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church at Monongahela was installed in his new pastorate last evening. The charge to Rev. Howard was given by Rev. J. Bragdon Merklewood of Pittsburgh. The charge to the people was given by Rev. G. A. Hines. Rev. C. E. Frantz of the Charleroi church was present and assisted in the services. Rev. Albeck of Monongahela was also present and assisted. He was the former pastor of the Monessen church.

COUPLE WEDDED FOR FIVE MONTHS

The friends of Prof. Bela R. Smith the popular High School teacher here and Miss Sallie Cook of Belle Vernon this morning learned of their marriage which occurred in August last, it is understood, in Beaver. The young couple have kept the affair a secret ever since, and but for an unfortunate word on the part of one of those having knowledge of it which gave the whole thing away, would be yet. In August the couple went to Beaver to attend the wedding of a couple and it is understood that soon after the performance of the ceremony secured a license, and went to the home of a pastor of one of the churches and themselves were married after enjoying him and the witnesses to keep quiet. The announcement was to be made later, probably at the end of the recent school year. The first knowledge of the wedding came in the home of the bride. One of the sisters got an inkling of the affair, and investigation proved the truth.

Miss Cook is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cook, one of the best known families of Belle Vernon. She is immensely popular, and enjoys a large acquaintance. Prof. Smith is a young man of excellent attainments and like the bride very popular. He has been connected with the local High school for two years. For his excellent work last year he was this year elected to the principalship. Mr. Smith is a Grove City college graduate.

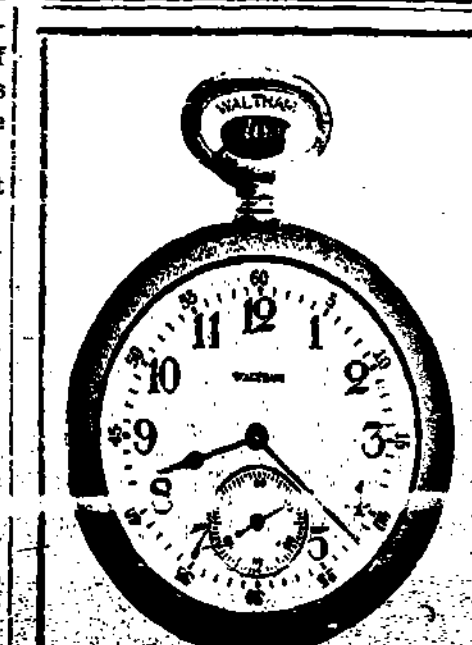
The couple have the best wishes of a host of friends.

CONCERT COMPANY AMONG THE BEST

The Evelyn Bargelt Concert company which is to appear here on Friday evening is claimed to be one of the best attractions on the Redpath Lyceum bureau. Their music is above what the people of Charleroi get to hear as a rule, and Miss Bargelt as a reader and cartoonist is excellent. It is thought that there will be an immense crowd out to attend this attraction.

Brown.

Christopher Bert, age 8 months, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Brown, Jr. died at the home of his parents at 4:15 o'clock this morning. The services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in the Charleroi cemetery. Mrs. Brown was formerly Miss Bertha Miksch.



JOHN B. SCHAFER, MANUFACTURER

Were to the Effect that Plugs Could Not be Used at Meter Rates and Various Repairs Had Been Made.

NO OFFICER IS ELECTED

Report Made But No Definite Action Taken by City Fathers

Two letters were read from the Charleroi water company at the meeting of council last night. One concerning the matter of the Macbeth Evans company wishing to have the water on meter, instead of paying at the usual rate. The company stated that they could not grant this request, as it was entirely contrary with their custom. The other was concerning certain plugs in town that they were to be fixed. One of these was at Ninth street and Fallowfield avenue, one at Seventh and McKean and one at Second and Washington. Tests will be made of the plugs which it is stated were repaired. Councilman Frye stated that the plug at the corner of Second street and Washington had not been placed in the proper condition and as it was desired. The company is to be notified of this.

Clerk Nickerson stated that he had received a check for \$297 from the Pittsburgh Railway company for their pole tax. This brought up the matter of what companies had numbered their poles as compelled in an action taken in June last. Some it was learned had not fully complied as yet with this order, and it was decided that all companies should be notified to again number the poles after which the "dead" poles would be cut down.

The ordinance governing the sale of powder and explosives in the borough was taken up and passed second reading. It was referred back to the ordinance committee for some changes to be made.

The claim of Ellis Sphar for \$65 damages was brought up by Councilman Friz of the accounts and Claims committee. He said that the borough solicitor had given as his opinion on the matter, that the condition of the road at the place where Mr. Sphar's wagon was wrecked, and the various phases of the question be learned. It was suggested that council in a body visit with Attorney McCloskey, and Mr. Sphar the place where the wreck occurred and then try to agree upon settlement.

The matter of a man for the firemen's quarters was discussed, but no action was taken more than to hold over the matter until the next meeting, or some subsequent one.

The question of a sidewalk for a portion of Shady avenue, near Third street was talked over. It was decided to consult the borough solicitor in the matter.

Two petitions were read, one from the trustees of the M. E. church asking for a light at the corner of Sixth street and Lincoln avenue and one to have council instruct the Bell Telephone company to remove a pole from in front of the store of P. J. Deprer, 708 Fallowfield avenue. The former matter was placed in the hands of the light committee for investigation and the latter in the hands of the street committee.

New Year Opportunities

We prepared for Christmas buying very liberally. Our sales were very large, but we find ourselves with a large stock of Ladies' Watches and Silver Mounted Toilet Articles. The watches are good works in handsome cases; the toilet articles would grace any woman's dressing table. But we have put very inviting prices on them. To have the widest choice, don't wait.

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J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rosh, Cashier.

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Dec. 30 in History.

40—Titus, Roman emperor, born;
died 81.
1504—Queen Isabella of Spain, patron
of Columbus, died; born 1451.
1757—Otto von Kotzebue, explorer,
born; died 1846.
1861—The banks in New York, Phila-
delphia and Boston suspended spe-
cial payments.
1903—The Iroquois theater burned in
Chicago; 553 lives lost.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:38, rises 7:20; moon sets
1:04 a. m.; 1 a. m., planet Jupiter ap-
parently stationary; sun's declination
23 degrees 10 minutes.

Genius But Hard Work.

"There is little genius in this
world; it is all hard work," was re-
marked by a man the other day, who
thus struck one of the greatest truths
of the age. We say if there is one
who is particularly clever in a certain
line, he is a genius, and let it go at
that. The chances are however, that
if you would take the time to look up
this record you would find he has done
lots of hard work, and his success is
not due to that "genius," so styled
by you, but rather the persistent
effort and stick-to-itiveness of the in-
dividual. He makes his own oppor-
tunities; he hasn't time to wait for
them to turn up. And then as mor-
tals who are not given to exerting
ourselves unless absolutely compelled,
remark that he is a wonderfully suc-
cessful fellow, and envy him, in long
drawn out and complaining sentences.
If instead of watching the other fel-
low make good, we would get busy,
our success would be assured just the
same as his. Every person has some
talent, some gift; possibly it may
be an aptitude for working with tools,
or possibly an ability to write. At
any rate it is up to us then to learn
just what this special gift is, and
profit by the knowledge. The real
genius is indeed rare. In looking
back through the ages, what men who
have gained a place in history were
talented so far above others in their
special line? Then with this brief
bit of philosophy it behooves so in
the coming New Year to make a reso-
lution, by which to faithfully abide,
that we try to make a little "genius"
out of ourselves, and show our neigh-
bors that despite our failings and
shortcomings that after all we are
worth something.

A New Phase.

The pen is mightier than the sword,
they used to tell us, and so it is, as
a moral force. But the sword in the
hands of the user is better far the
development of the body than is the
pen. However, since one uses the
sword for physical exercise and com-
paratively few use the foils, the
writing machine seems to supply what
was sorely needed. It may appear to
be mightier than either. And for the
man who writes almost constantly
when at his desk it would supply, in

the place of back-breaking, nerve-
destroying, muscle-killing work, a
form of physical exercise which would
keep most of the upper body and arm
muscles in pretty good trim.

Electric Sparks

A strange contagious malady is
killing the hogs up near Altoona.
This is bad news, unless perchance it
should develop that it may be com-
municated to the end-seat variety.

A California man had found a rich
mine down his well. He doubtless
now thinks there is more than poetry
in the saying: "Riches lies at the
bottom of a well."

It isn't always absent-mindedness
that causes a man to lose his temper.

Some men are born leaders and
others are satisfied to be cotillion
leaders.

The gunner who goes after birds
with a flask in his pocket is generally
satisfied with swimmers.

If a man begins to sing his own
praises you can drown him out by
blowing your own horn.

The fact that a Yale student met,
wooded and married a girl all in three
days shows that Eli's sons can get
there, too.

The sight of an unknown plain
clothes man in his neighborhood is
enough to give the average Pittsburg
councilman an attack of the shivers.

It is time to make the first rough
draft of those resolutions that you
will present to yourself for adoption
next Friday.

The Mikado assures Japan in his
address to Parliament of two things—
peace and economy in government.
As the United States has been
assured of the first, notwithstanding
the labors of the war scare bureau,
it might be a fine experiment for our
statesmen to add the second.

While the most modern type of jus-
tice may regard the camera as might-
ier than the sword and scales, it re-
mains the fact that the snapshot must
be made at the psychological moment.

This extravagant joy of Venezuela
over the Gomez regime in Venezuela
might reach the extreme of violating
the Monroe doctrine by setting up a
Holland dynasty in the republic.

They are investigating investiga-
tors in the Pittsburg graft cases.
Now who is going to investigate the
investigators of the investigators, and
then who will investigate the investi-
gators of the investigators of the in-
vestigators?

What could be more appropriate
than that teamsters who served in the
war with Mexico should now be pen-
sioned? Doubtless they took many an
oath to support the cause.

It is now claimed in all seriousness
that rheumatism is communicated by
kissing. This may be true but how
it was ever discovered is beyond us.
As far as our observation goes folks
afflicted with "rheumatiz" never
figured as kisser or kissees.

One New Castle minister took a
whack at the big hats the ladies wear
yesterday. But when they take them
off, what do we see? A vast plaited
mass of borrowed stuff as large as a
wagon wheel. When a mere man
sits behind one of those staggering
mountains of wavy, scented hair he
realizes his woeful insignificance.—
New Castle Herald.

Technical Forestry.

Japan has longer than any other
country practiced technical forestry.
With extraordinary skill and absolute
success the authorities have for 120
years planted and cared for the forest
trees. The results have been really
wonderful, for through the extremely
sedulous management and the knowl-
edge and skill by degree attained,
the financial gains have been very
large, indeed. Not a twig is ever
wasted. The trees are regarded as
almost sacred property, and not a
particle of any one of them is regard-
ed as rubbish, so close is the utiliza-
tion. Thinning and all departments
of arboreal culture are very carefully
conducted. At the end of thirteen
years from planting a woodlot is
thinned by experts, and then every
five years the process is repeated for
one hundred and twenty years, the
average period of the cultivation of a
set of trees.

Notice.

Grand reception given on New Year's
evening by Government clerks in Bank
of Charleroi hall, hours 8 to 1. 11642

PROMINENT MAN OF MONONGAHELA DIES

Monongahela, Dec. 30.—Major
Hiram Warne, one of the most promi-
nent residents of this region died last
evening at 5 o'clock at the home of
his sister, Miss Ella Warne, age 64
years. He was the son of the late
Joseph Warne and died in the house
where he was born.

Mr. Warne was a bachelor and upon
being taken ill was removed from his
home in the First ward to that of his
sister. During his life he had been
strongly identified with affairs of the
river and of Monongahela. For
some time he was a member of the
city council. He was a member of
the Warne Coal company, which later
disposed of its interests. He was
well known as a river man, he and
his father having built and operated
one of the first steamers on the Mon-
ongahela river, the "Joseph Warne."

Major Warne survived by two sis-
ters, Miss Ella Warne, of Mononga-
hela, and Mrs. Samuel Canan, of
Wichita, Kan., and three brothers,
Porter Warne, of Wichita, Kan.,
Thomas Warne, of Carmichaels, and
M. S. Warne, of Monongahela, J.
Park Warne, of Washington, is a
nephew.

Funeral arrangements have not yet
been made.

THREE ARE TAKEN TO COUNTY JAIL

There were three prisoners placed
in the hands of Turnkey W. C. Mc-
Bride, of the county jail yesterday,
Manton Cox, Canonsburg; Joe Silke,
Monongahela, and Robert Clark, Ells-
worth. Cox is charged with open
lewdness on oath of S. W. Swan.

Cox was taken before Justice T.
M. Reese, who sentenced him to jail
for 30 days in default of a fine of \$10
and costs. Joe Silke was committed
by Alderman R. L. Elwood. He is
charged with felonious shooting and in
default of \$1,000 was held for court.
Joe Senick is the prosecutor. Robert
Clark was sent up by Justice David
Reese. He is charged with surety
of the peace on oath of Essex Clark.

Call for Aid Reaches Afar

That the call for aid in behalf of
the sufferers as the result of the Mar-
ianna mine disaster has reached far
beyond the borders of Pennsylvania,
is daily made more evident. The re-
lief committee is receiving contribu-
tions from Indiana, Ohio, West Vir-
ginia, New York, Minnesota, Michi-
gan, Arkansas and many other points
through the country.

Probably one of the most notable
contributions received to date is that
from J. Pierpont Morgan and Co., of
New York. The firm of which the
famous financier is head, gives \$1,000
to the cause.

There has been to date received
\$4,607.80

Attacks on Penrose by Sheatz Circulars

A committee composed of George
T. Weingartner, Ira McJunkin and
Frank Briery have been sending cir-
culars to the press throughout the
state trying to boost John O. Sheatz
for the senate. In this circular they
attack Penrose, and make him out an
impure man and dishonest politician.
The press is not taking much account
of these circulars except to have a
laugh over them. It is evident that
some one is spending dollars for noth-
ing, and perhaps that man is Mr.
Sheatz. How about it?

SOCIAL COMMITTEE GIVES A DANCE

The social committee of B. P. O.
Elks last night in the club rooms
gave an informal dance. The affair
was largely attended and was a most
enjoyable event. Dancing was from
8 to 1. Quite a number of guests
were present from out of town. The
committee was composed of the fol-
lowing men: J. Bryant Tussing, Den-
nis Oates, and H. S. Pierson.

On Inspection Tour.

The county commissioners yesterday
inspected the Lone Pine road which is
being improved by N. C. Hunter.
About two miles of road have been
surfaced and an additional mile has
been stoned. The length of road to
be improved is about four miles. A
large force of men are employed.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS.

Miss Mary Haden has just been cho-
sen a member of the senate of the new
Yukon university. Another woman is
on the council of the new Belfast uni-
versity.

Mrs. Sarah Bryant is one of the
smartest old ladies in Stonington, Me.
Although ninety years of age, she vi-
sits her neighbors daily and can sew
and knit better than many younger
people.

Miss Grace O'Connor of Holyoke,
Mass., has passed the examination
conducted by the state board of phar-
macy and is believed to be the only
woman in that section of the state
who holds the honor of being a regis-
tered pharmacist.

As a memorial to her late husband,
Samuel Matshak, his widow, Mrs. Ray
Matshak, has given the money neces-
sary to equip a department for surgi-
cal mechanic-therapeutics at the
Vanderbilt clinic of the College of
Physicians and Surgeons of New York
city.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor of New York
has taken Mrs. Adair's home on Cur-
zon street, London, for the season.
The Adair house is one of the most
spacious ballrooms decorated in Louis
Seize style, and the other furnishings
are magnificent.

Mrs. Elbridge Claiborne is the first
woman to cast a vote at the annual
election of the directors of the Trades
league of Philadelphia. She is a wid-
ow and conducts a thriving real estate
business in Philadelphia. Her voting
excited considerable comment, though
her right was not denied.

The Don't Worry Theory.

The usual advice given to the wor-
rier is, "Don't worry." This advice is
foolish because impractical. No one
can stop thinking one type of thought
except by substituting for it another.
Besides, it is dangerous advice, for,
even supposing one could mechanically
put an end to a worrying state of
mind, he would simply be like an en-
gineer who should plant himself on the
safety valve of his engine. The energy
expended in worry, turned inward on
itself, would tear the mental mecha-
nism to pieces. No! What the wor-
ried man or woman needs evidently
is to be taught how to find a health-
ful outlet for his or her nervous power
thus going to waste. If we say "Don't
worry," let us also be careful to add,
"But work," and let us also point out
what kind of work should be under-
taken and the spirit in which it ought
to be done. In other words, what the
worrier needs is re-education.—Rev. S.
S. McComb in Harper's Bazar.

An Eccentric Genius.

Among the geniuses none perhaps
was stranger than the poet Baudelaire,
who dyed his hair green, tried to stran-
gle his father-in-law, used opium, ro-
bacco and wine to excess and enjoyed
perverted olfactory sensations. "My
soul soars upon perfumes as the souls
of other men soar upon music," he
wrote. But what pleased him, strange-
ly, were odors of putrefaction, vile
smells which other men abhorred and
the stench of disease which made
others sick. And yet his poetry is
among the most passionately musical
of the literature of France. He was
exceedingly superstitious, believing he
would not succeed in an undertaking
unless he left a house first with the
left foot, and would count the number
of gas jets along the streets, the num-
bers of cabs and numbers of doors.
Adding these figures in his mind, he
would consider the result an omen—
multiples of three good, multiples of
seven reassuring, while his bad num-
ber was seventeen. Curiously, once he
was thrown out of a cab, the figures of
which he added and found amounted to
seventeen.

Too Particular.

The final customer at the fish mar-
ket pointed at a sign in the window
with this inscription upon it: "Anjo-
ris."

"What does that mean?" he asked.
"What is an anjo-ris?"
"Anjo-ris," answered the proprietor,
"are little fishes. Didn't ye never hear
of 'em?"

"You mean anchovies, don't you?"
"Not unless you want to buy some,
sir," sternly spoke the proprietor. "If
a man wants to buy my fish he can
call 'em what he darn pleases. When
I'm puttin' up signs on my fish I'll call
'em what I darn please, and anybody
who don't like 'em don't have to look
at 'em, sir."

The final customer muttered an
apology and escaped further trouble by
purchasing a dime's worth of smoked
herring, a harmless, unassuming fish
about whose name there could be no
possible dispute.—Chicago Tribune.

The Stone Age.

The stone age still exists among some
of the Islanders of the south Pacific and
the Eskimos of the extreme north as
well as in a few other spots here and
there on the earth. The progress of
early culture in Europe seems to have
been from the south and east toward
the north and west, so that the emer-
gence of the different peoples from
their age of stone was accomplished
much earlier in southern and eastern
Europe than in the north and west.
But while the stone age of different
areas is thus not necessarily synchro-
nous, it seems to be true of all Euro-
pean areas that this is the earliest con-
dition in which man has appeared upon
them. This holds for all other areas as
well, evidences of the stone age having
been fully established in India, China,
Japan, Africa and the Americas.

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Slightly imperfect and would not pass factory inspection, you can't tell it.

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Shoes mostly in Patent Leather-- \$2.00 For

Med's \$3.00 Box Calf and Gun Metal Bluchers-- "Nabob" and "Freak" lasts \$2.18 this sale

Boys' \$1.75 box calf bluchers for \$1.19

Elegant Kid Lace and Button Boots, selling at about Half Regular Prices--

Patent Leather and Gun Metal Calf \$1.49 \$1.98 \$2.18 \$2.90

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ever offered in this city--values that cannot be duplicated at anything like the money any place on earth--a few of which are here illustrated--study them.



980 Pairs Men's \$3.00 Shoes for

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One of the Strange Legends of the World--The Mysterious Ark and the Escape of the Chosen Few.

CAUSE OF THE GREAT STORM.

The Tipping Up of the Earth Caused the Deluge Which Engulfed the World--The Mysterious Ark and the Escape of the Chosen Few.

To this day the great deluge recorded in the Bible is a mystery to the North American Indian. He will not be led to believe that the flood was brought about by the sins of man. He is equally unwilling to believe that it was the work of an angry God, as he could not see how the Almighty should be so unjust as to punish the Indians of America for the naughty things of a race of people across the ocean. Another reason which makes it still more difficult for the Indian to believe that the flood was a punishment to the world is the fact that with him there is no sin. In his language there is no such word as sin. He expects to be punished for any of his acts.

But though there is no equivalent to the word sin in the Indian language (nor in the Indian mind until the Christians came), the Indians have their philosophy in regard to what is commonly so termed. Some of their teachers (most of whom claimed to have been taught the philosophy of life and its laws directly by disembodied spirits or by ethereal beings from other planets) taught that as man lives here so is his life hereafter. If he is quarrelsome or warlike here, so he will be in the more spiritual life. If he is serene and contented here, so he will be there, etc.

The deluge, as described by the few who were miraculously saved, was the more grandly terrible in that it came on suddenly. From the highlands occupied by the Indians they saw the waves of the sea sweep in upon the land and recede, only to advance with immensely increased volume and stupendously huge breakers. Then there came a terrific storm that seemed to blow from all and in all directions. The storm caused huge waterpools which appeared over the wild ocean as far as the eye could see. The terrified people fled to the mountains, but these were all soon to be submerged, with the exception of one. This mountain which alone remained uncovered by the flood is called Awe-hellah (Mountain of the Moon), yet today it is not a very high mountain.

For awhile before the mountains became submerged there was a great calm, and a dense fog covered the earth. Then suddenly a mighty boat appeared to the awed view of the Indians. It approached and stopped at the several mountains still uncovered by the waters, and at each point where it touched, as if guided by invisible intelligence, the Indians, as if obeying an unspoken but potent command, entered the boat.

The boat rested first at a place called Awe-quah-lul (mountain peak), now Pilot Knob, on the border of Mexico. There was a mesa on the top of this mountain, though at this day it does not exist, and on this mesa the Indians first celebrated their delivery. This they did by playing sacred games, chanting sacred songs, etc. On rocks at the foot of this peak there are hieroglyphics in an unknown language, which some of the Indians believe were made by those who survived the flood. Petrified driftwood is still to be seen two-thirds the distance up the sides of Awe-hellah, which drift, the Indians say, was deposited by the waves of the great flood.

The Indians, having rested for a time on the mountain peak, again entered the boat and were carried eastward, eventually to a small valley. Here they again rested, and then, leaving the boat, they wandered from one place to another, after a time returning to the valley. To their surprise, the boat was gone. It could not have floated away, for the land was dry whereon they had left it, the flood having subsided after a great calm of its waters. The boat could not have crumbled to pieces, for there had not been time for its decay. They could only conclude that the mysterious boat, having fulfilled its mission of preserving a few of their race, had disappeared as miraculously as it had appeared.

The spot where the mysterious boat, or ark, had rested was marked by the Indians placing there a huge log. They called the place Quah-jopara (boat's resting place). This spot is held sacred by the Indians, who will seldom point it out to strangers. Not many hundred years ago, it is said, some Indian warriors were passing the spot, and one of them to show his skepticism shot an arrow into the side of the great log. Immediately a stream of blood gushed from the spot pierced, and the skeptic fell dead. The story of the event was carried to all the near tribes, and since then Indians passing the place fear to even look leisurely at the log.

A reason given by the Indians as the probable cause of the flood was that there was a tribe of Indians who, like Columbus, believed that the earth was not flat, but round, and to prove whether this theory were true thousands from the different tribes banded together and started out on a journey to find the edge of the earth if it was flat. The flood occurred soon after the Indians started on this journey, so that they really believed that those adventurers had reached the edge of the earth and their weight had tipped the earth to such an extent as to cause the water to rush in on the land--the Atlantic Ocean.

MAN'S HEADGEAR.

From the Primitive Cap to the Gloomy High Hat of Today.

Earliest of all forms of headgear was the cap. The hat did not really come into common use till the seventeenth century. In the time of Charles I. the queer high sugar loaf shaped hat came into fashion. It was wound with a rich band and trimmed with a feather. Constant balancing of the head was necessary to keep it on. The hat was taken up by the Puritans, who satisfied their bitter consciences by discarding the frivolous band and the wicked feather.

Charles II. brought the French perwig into England, and the tall hat went out to make way for a low, broad brimmed thing, gorgeous with feathers and glaucracks. These broad brims became broader and broader. At last it became necessary to turn them up. First this was done at the back, finally according to the wearer's idea.

Out of this extravagant style of headgear grew the cocked hat. The footmen and the liveried coachmen of many European nations still wear this style of headgear. During Queen Anne's time the cocked hat was the hat of the gentleman. The correct fashion was to carry it under the arm as much as possible.

The French revolution, which took off so many heads that had worn the cocked hat, took off the cocked hat too. In its place the crescent shape became the style, partly by force. The direct ancestor of that dreadful thing, the high hat of today, was the noble and sturdy beaver. Beavers went out of fashion largely because the supply of material became exhausted--London answers.

NATURAL SOAP.

The Queer Fruit of a Tree That Grows in Algeria.

Soap grows on trees in Algeria. The soap tree is ornamental and reaches a height of fifty feet. It begins to bear fruit when six years old. The wood is close grained, takes a good polish and is admirably suited for furniture. The average income from a tree is \$10 to \$20 a year. The composition of the fruit consists of a nut shaped hull in which is a seed. In the hull exists the soapy matter in the proportion of 80 to 40 per cent of the bulk of the hull. The soap principle is set free by the shredding of the hull and using it with water just as if it were a piece of soap. A beautiful lather is the result, and the cleansing qualities are such that there is no soap made by human process that can compare with them. For toilet purposes the same applies. The hull can be made into a powder and the powder into a cake, so as to make the use of it easier. It can also be made into a liquid for hair wash, dentifrice and various other preparations. Seeds of the Algerian soap tree have been imported to the United States, and soap trees have been discovered in Florida indigenous to the soil. The seed has a kernel which contains a fixed oil in every respect preferable to the best imported olive oil, either for eating or culinary purposes, and also for all kinds of industrial products in which the olive oil is used. The yield in oil is twice that of the olive fruit--Baltimore American.

Wild Animals and Medicine.

A writer in the British Medical Journal thinks that an interesting essay might be written on the addition to medical remedies made by animals. It is said that it is to dogs we owe the knowledge of the fever abating properties of bark, while to the hippopotamus is attributed the use of bleeding. The story as told in Philemon Holland's translation of Pliny is as follows: "The rufous horse hath taught physicians one device in that part of their profession called Surgery, for he finding himself over-gross and fat by reason of his high feeding so continually gets forth of the water to the shore, hanging spied afore where the reeds and rushes have bin newly cut, and where he seeth the sharpest cane and best pointed bee etc his body hard on to it to prick a certain vein in one of his legs, and thus by letting himself blood maketh evacuation, whereby his body, otherwise inclining to diseases and maladies, is well eased of the superfluous humor, and having thus done he stoppeth the orifice againe with mud and so stancheth the blood and healeth the wound."

One Fish Didn't Grow.

A number of men were telling of remarkable catches off Atlantic City, and one of them said that one day he caught a very small cod, and, not caring to take home such a little fellow, he took a piece of copper wire, ran it through the tail of the fish, and on one end of the wire he attached a copper tag with his name scratched upon it. "The next year when I was off there," continued the man, "I got a heavy pull on the line, and after five minutes' fighting landed a twelve pound cod, and there on its tail was my tag."

"That reminds me of a similar experience off there," said another man. "I caught one of those small cod, and I wanted to hang some sort of identification on it, but I couldn't find anything in the copper tag line from one end of the boat to the other. I did find, however, a little tin whistle in one of my pockets, and, running a wire through the tail of the fish, I hung on the whistle and threw the cod back."

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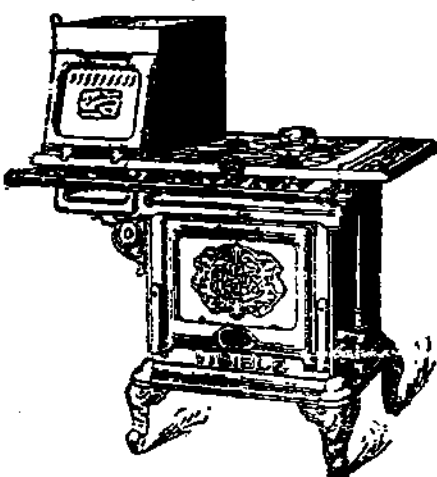
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Personal Mention

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Mrs. George Schuyler is a Pittsburgh visitor today.

Mrs. M. J. McGee is in Pittsburgh today transacting business.

W. R. Gant is transacting business today in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Thomas McConnell and son Tom are spending a few days in Charleroi at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Campbell of McKean avenue.

Misses Amanda and Hazel Castor of Fallowfield avenue have returned home after a few days spent here with friends.

Mrs. William Vance left this morning for her home in Carmichaels after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reeves, of Fallowfield avenue.

Money Left to Missions.

Washington, Dec. 30.—The will of Rebecca Cunningham, admitted to probate yesterday, bequeathed \$2,000 to the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church, \$2,000 to the Board of Foreign Missions, with a provision that half be used for medical work and \$1,500 to Rev. J. Addison Alexander, former pastor of the Second United Presbyterian church of Washington, now of Crafton.

After making a number of personal bequests the testator directs that her residuary estate be given to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian church.

At Long Range.

"I see you read a great deal of mining literature."

"Yes."

"Did you ever go prospecting for gold?"

"No; I can lose enough time and money merely prospecting."—Washington Star.

The Spare Room.

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A perfectly imperial brass bed.

With downy pillows and a snowy spread.

A gorgeous bureau redolent of pine.

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Some chairs that cost—well, goodness knows the sum.

The furniture upholstered in rich plum—

It's worth your life to even peep in there.

That showy, useless room that's called "the spare."

—La Touche Hancock in New York Press.

Unpoetic.

"Don't you enjoy the glories of summer?"

"Yes," answered the unpoetic person; "it is something of a comfort to find the gas bill's getting so much smaller."—Wasp.

Chivalry and Fatness.

Have you never noticed that great personal bulk and chivalry go almost always together? Well, they do, and I am reminded of a circumstance that happened long years ago. There was in congress from the state of Alabama a gentleman named Dixon Lewis. He was notorious for his stoutness as well as for his courtness and abilities. This gentleman was a Virginian by birth, but removed early to Alabama, which state he represented during several terms of congress and was in the senate at the time of his death in 1848. Biographers relate of him that one time after the adjournment of congress he was on his way home in a steamer that was wrecked and while he had an opportunity to do so refused to take a seat in a small boat because his great weight would jeopardize the lives of others in the boat, and, although for a time he was in great danger, he was at last rescued. There was a noticeable combination of chivalry and fatness.—Washington Post.

Influenza.

Influenza, like cholera, always travels from east to west.

Welsh Names.

On the railway in Wales the brakeman has to announce such stations as Ffestinog, Bettws-y-coed, Llandegni and Penmaenmawr. As in this country, tourists occasionally fail to understand what the man says.

Old Time Cradles.

Rocking cradles for babies were used by the Egyptians many centuries before Christ. Among the pictures copied by Belzoni is one of an Egyptian mother at work with her foot on the cradle.

Spanish Nobles.

One-fifteenth of the inhabitants of Spain are nobles.

An Accomplished Infant.

This advertisement appeared recently in a Glasgow paper: "Found wandering in Castle street on Saturday evening, a child, age about three years, healthy looking, dark hair, gray eyes and ruddy cheeks, able to talk a little and swear."

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A Preserve Owner's Sick Trout.

A man whose experience as a sportsman had been limited to an occasional day's fishing in the mountains bought for himself a place with a fine trout preserve on Long Island. He looked forward with great interest to the opening day, as that would be his first opportunity to fish in his own pond, and when the day at last arrived the first streak of daylight found him leaving his house, rod in hand.

A day or two later a sportsman friend inquired as to what luck he had had.

"I caught plenty of fish, and big ones, too," responded the owner of the preserve. "There are plenty of trout in the pond, but they all seem to be sick."

"Why, what's the matter with them?" asked the sportsman.

"Well," answered the preserve owner, "to tell the truth, we were afraid to eat them. Their flesh is pink, and I never saw a brook trout that color before."

"Don't you know, man," exclaimed the sportsman, with a laugh, "that any trout will turn pink if it lives in salt water? Your pond empties into the sound, and of course the trout run in and out. The next time you have any of that sort of sick trout just send them in to me, and I'll eat them for you with pleasure."—New York Times.

A Tiny State.

The miniature republic of San Marino is a mere dot on the map of Europe, being the smallest state in the world as well as the oldest independent republic. Its area is thirty-eight square miles, only little less than twice that of the island of Manhattan. It lies entirely in Italy, but is wholly independent. Its situation is on the easterly side of the Etruscan Apennines and about twelve miles from Rimini, on the Adriatic sea. The frontier is only twenty-four miles in length, and the population would make only a small city ward, numbering less than 12,000. There is no public debt, and the annual expenses met by taxation amount to \$60,000. The country has bronze and silver currency, coined by Italy, 158,000 lire of the latter and 105,000 of the former. The principal exports are wine, cattle and stone. The military force of the republic numbers 25 officers and 150 men.

The Wild Boar.

The wild boar is a most courageous animal. The element of luck counts for a great deal in pig sticking, as in most other forms of sport, and it often happens that the foremost sportsman who by dint of hard riding or thanks to the fastest horse has come up with the quarry is deprived of the coveted honor of "first spear" by a sudden "jink" or turn of the pig. The boar, in spite of his clumsy appearance, is not only possessed of a great turn of speed, but is extraordinarily active. He will turn and twist like a hare, putting every obstacle in the shape of bushes, rocks, water, etc., between himself and his pursuers. But all the time making for the nearest patch of jungle and safety. The pace after pig is faster than the best of runs with hounds, but is sooner over.—Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News.

Had Left For Parts Unknown.

In a murder trial in Texas some years ago the counsel for the defense was examining a renegade regarding his qualifications to serve. The candidate admitted that he had once been a member of a jury which tried a negro for murder. It is not permissible in such cases to ask the result of the trial so the counsel said:

"Where is that negro now?"

"I don't know," was the reply. "The sheriff hanged him at the appointed time."

No Idle Boast.

Bilkins—Smythe tries to make people believe that he belongs to the "upper crust." Wilkins—Well, I should think he did belong to the "upper crust." Bilkins—In what way does he show it? Wilkins—Always short and easily broke.—Brooklyn Life.

Charles Reade's L.atics.

The author of "Leaves From a Life," a woman, referring to Charles Reade's notion that half the people shut up in lunatic asylums had no business to be there, says: "One day he told papa he had picked out twelve quite sane men from among the supposed lunatics, and one of the doctors had promised to ask them all to dinner and give them another chance. Would papa come too? As papa knew the doctor and knew also that ample precautions would be taken, he agreed, and the dinner duly came off. All went well, the twelve lunatics behaved admirably, and Charles Reade became more and more sure that he had rescued twelve unfortunate from worse than prison until the dessert was placed on the table. Then the doctor, turning to the man on his left, said: 'Have you been introduced to your next door neighbor? He is the Virgin Mary.' The lunatic leaped to his feet. 'You lie!' he screamed. 'I am the Virgin Mary.' And in a moment all the twelve lunatics began to show themselves in their real colors."

Why, Indeed?

The five-year-old son was asking his father some severe questions about a recent addition to the family.

"That baby likes me," said the youngster sharply.

"Oh, yes, he likes your ma," said his father, "but he likes me too."

Thereupon the five-year-old from whom great things were expected exclaimed:

"Likes you? Then why does he cry when he looks at you?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Best New Year Resolution.

The noblest resolution that any citizen could make for the New Year would be the resolution to live more faithfully by the Golden Rule, that sublime principle of conduct for this world and for all worlds any success. Failure to live by this law causes the chief sorrows and collisions among men.

Let each earnest man search into his words and ways, determined to find the special manner in which he breaks the Golden Law—his special habit that works injustice or unhappiness in his shop, his office, his home, his city. He will find, perhaps, that in the shop he is in the habit of misplacing tools, and this hinders the work of his comrades; that in the office he is in the habit of being late in keeping appointments, and thus steals other people's time; that in the club he is in the habit of belittling worthy competitors, and thus joins the gang of thieves who steal reputations; that in the home he is in the habit of monopolizing the conversation, and thus fails to draw out the powers of others; that in the city he is in the habit of spitting on the sidewalk, and thus spoils the comfort of his townsmen; that in business he is in the habit of misrepresenting his goods, and thus robs under the cover of custom.

These are problems in the Golden Rule; and here are ample space and verge for New Year resolutions—space and verge for building character, character which is the greatest thing in man.—Success

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EXECUTOR'S SALE OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE.

The undersigned executor of the last will and testament of JAMES H. JACOBS, late of the Borough of CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, deceased, do hereby offer for sale at public auction and on the premises at 11:00 o'clock A. M. Thursday, Dec. 31, 1910, all of the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot Number Ten in the McMAHAN'S Addition to the Borough of CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, fronting Twenty-eight feet on the westerly side of JESSE'S AVENUE and running back preserving a uniform width of Twenty-five feet, a distance of One Hundred and Fifty feet to PRINCE STREET and thence along PRINCE STREET and a strip of 15 feet wide alley in the rear, said lot being

part of the same lot conveyed to the said JAMES H. JACOBS by Deed of JAMES D. DIXON, et al., dated October 10, 1904, and recorded in Washington County Deed Book 122, page 612. Having erected thereon a two-story frame dwelling containing six rooms, lawn and other improvements. All inquiries or requests for permission to inspect the property should be addressed to J. E. McMAHAN, Executor.

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\$275 1/2 Room House, with Bath, good location, on Lookout Ave.
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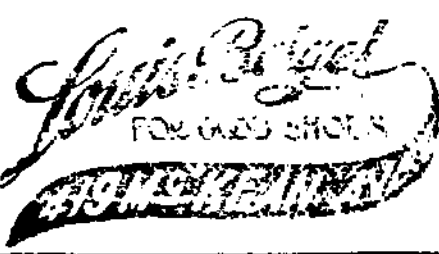
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